IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of: Mark Robert Gibson et al

Serial No. : 09/410,316

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For : Establishing Connections Across A Communications

Network

Customer number : 23644

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir,

Before calculation of the filing fee for this application, it is requested that the application be amended as follows: